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Commissioner For Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Re: Applicant(s): Nielsen, James T. et al.  
Assignee: Cardica, Inc.  
Title: Surgical System and Method for Connecting Hollow Tissue Structures  
Serial No.: N/A  
Examiner: Not yet assigned  
Docket No.: 142

Filed: November 24, 2003  
Group Art Unit: N/A

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith are the following documents in the above-identified application:

- (1) This Transmittal Letter;
- (2) Information Disclosure Statement;
- (3) PTO form 1449 and references cited therein; and
- (4) Return postcard.

- No additional fee is required.
- Also, charge any additional fees required and credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 502108

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Respectfully submitted,

  
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**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR §  
1.97(b)**

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Sir:

In compliance with the Applicant's duty under 37 CFR § 1.56, the information listed on the accompanying form PTO-1449 is brought to the attention of the Examiner. A copy of each item listed on the accompanying form PTO-1449 is enclosed for the convenience of the Examiner.

This IDS is believed to be timely in that it is being submitted under 37 CFR § 1.97(b), and thus no petition or fee is required.

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## **LIST OF PATENTS AND OTHER ITEMS FOR APPLICANT'S INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

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## U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

## FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

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EXAMINER INITIAL	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUB CLASS	TRANSLATION YES/NO	
	EP1354559A2	5/24/1995	EUROPE				

## **OTHER DOCUMENTS**

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EXAMINER INITIAL	DOCUMENT TITLE	DATE	AUTHOR	
	ATLAS OF SURGICAL STAPLING	1999	ETHICON ENDO-SURGERY	

**EXAMINER:**

**DATE CONSIDERED:**

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